

## AMENDMENT

### Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings and versions of the claims in the application:

1.-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) A composition comprising a water-soluble complex of hypericin and a ~~poly-N-vinylamide or a water-soluble compound of hypericin and a poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone having a molecular weight from 10,000 to 90,000 g/mol in an aqueous solution, wherein the hypericin is a synthetic hypericin or an isolated hypericin.

13-15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently amended) The composition of claim ~~[[15]]~~12, wherein the molecular weight is from 10,000 to 40,000 g/mol.

17. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 12, wherein the molar ratio of hypericin to ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone is about 1:1.

18. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 12, wherein the concentration of hypericin and the concentration of ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone are both from 1  $\mu\text{mol/l}$  to 0.1 mol/l.

19-20. (Canceled)

21. (Withdrawn – currently amended) A method of making a composition of claim 12, comprising ~~bonding or complexing~~ hypericin and a ~~poly-N-vinylamide, preferably PVP~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone having a molecular weight from 10,000 to 90,000 g/mol.

22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 21, wherein the complexing is carried out in aqueous solution.

23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 22, wherein the aqueous solution is buffered.

24-26. (Canceled)

27. (Withdrawn – currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[26]]~~21, wherein the molecular weight is from 10,000 to 40,000 g/mol.

28. (Withdrawn – currently amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the molar ratio of hypericin to ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone is about 1:1.

29. (Withdrawn – currently amended) The method of claim 21, wherein the concentration of hypericin and the concentration of ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone are both from 1  $\mu\text{mol/l}$  to 0.1 mol/l.

30-33. (Canceled)

34. (Withdrawn – currently amended) A method of diagnosing tumor or cancer cells comprising:

obtaining a composition of claim 12; and

using the composition in a method of photophysical or photodynamic diagnosis for tumor or cancer cells.

35. (Currently amended) A composition comprising a water-soluble complex of a synthetic or isolated hypericin and a ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone ~~or a water-soluble compound of a synthetic or isolated hypericin and a poly-N-vinylamide, wherein the poly-N-vinylamide has~~ having a molecular weight from 10,000 to 90,000 g/mol in an aqueous solution, and further wherein the concentration of hypericin and the concentration of ~~poly-N-vinylamide~~ polyvinylpyrrolidone are both from 1  $\mu\text{mol/l}$  to 0.1 mol/l.